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In re application of: Lal and Owen

Application No. 10/550,651 **Filed:** September 26, 2005 **Confirmation No.** 8346

For: IMMUNOGENIC HIV-1 MULTI-CLADE,

MULTIVALENT CONSTRUCTS AND

METHODS OF THEIR USE

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This responds to the Office action dated December 15, 2006. A one-month period for reply was set, making a response due on or before January 15, 2007. Applicants request an extension of five months, and pay the requisite fees herewith via EFS, making a response timely if filed on or before **June 15, 2007**. If additional fees are determined to be required, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to take such fees from Deposit Account 02-4550.

Please amend the referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6, and end with a brief Conclusion on page 10.